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Group Art Unit 2754

For: THIN FILM MAGNETIC WRITE HEAD

WITH PRECONDITIONING GAP

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION <u>AND AMENDMENT B</u>

In response to the Office Action of Paper No. 7, dated August 28, 1998, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## In The Claims

Please amend Claims 11 and 14 as follows:

11. (twice amended) A thin film magnetic recording head having a pair of gaps formed between

three pole pieces, said gaps being substantially aligned to successively traverse the same portion of a

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